GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

PS – PR&RD Department – Allegation of misconduct – Departmental proceedings initiated against Sri P. Bhaskar, DEE, PRI, Sub-Division, Sathyavedu, Chittoor District under Rule-20 of APCS(CC&A)Rules, 1991 - Inquiry conducted – Further action dropped – Orders – Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG-II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.180. **Dated:17.04.2023.**

Read the following:-

1) From the Director General, ACB, Vijayawada, Letter Rc.No.129/ RCT-TCT/2015, Dated:06.02.2019.
2) G.O.Rt.No.366, PR & RD (Vig-II) Dept., Dated:13.05.2019.
3) From Sri P. Bhaskar, the then DEE, PRI Sub-Division, Satyavedu, Chittoor District, Written Statement of Defence,Dated:08.08.2019.
4) G.O.Rt.No.715, PR&RD(Vig-II)Dept., Dated:22.11.2019.
5) From Engineer-In-Chief, PR, Vijayawada, Lr.No.Vig(4)/28873/ ACB/20-15, dated 03.08.2021 & 09.03.2022 along with Inquiry Officer Reports of SE (PR) Chittoor & I.O Reports dated:18.01.2021, 16.07.2021 & 20.01.2022.
6) Govt.Memo.No.14843/Vig.II/2015-8, PR&RD(Vig.II)Dept., Dt:21.05.2022.
7) From Sri P. Bhaskar, the then DEE, PRI Sub-Division, Satyavedu, Chittoor District dated 10.06.2022.

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ORDER:

In the references 2nd read above, Government have initiated departmental proceedings duly framing the following article of charges under Rule-20 of APCS(CC&A)Rules, 1991 against Sri P. Bhaskar, the then DEE, PRI Sub-Division, Satyavedu, Chittoor District, on the allegation of misconduct in as much as he did not ensure handing over of charge by Sri B. Eswar Babu to his successor, Sri P. Gopal, who reported in MPDO Office, Nagalapuram Mandal, with a direction to submit his written statement of defence.

Charge:

"That Sri P. Bhaskar, DEE.,PRI Sub-Division, Satyavedu while working in the period from 13.02.2013 to 09.09.2015, has committed grave misconduct in as much as he did not ensure handing over of charge by Sri B. Eswar Babu to his successor, Sri P. Gopal, who reported in MPDO office, Nagalapuram Mandal on 01.09.2015 and thereby violated orders of Superintending Engineer, PR, Chittoor vide Ref.No.A1/726/2015, dated 15.08.2015, dt:20.08.2015 and thereby failed to maintain absolute integrity by violating APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964".

2. In the reference 3rd read above, the Charged Officer, Sri P. Bhaskar, the then DEE, PRI Sub-Division, Satyavedu, Chittoor District has submitted the written statement of defence and he denied the above charge.

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3. Since, the Written Statement of Defence is not convincing, after examining the matter, Government have decided to conduct regular inquiry into the charge framed against the charged officer Sri P. Bhaskar, the then DEE., PRI, SD, Satyavedu, Chittoor District.

4. Accordingly, Government have issued orders in the reference 4th read above and appointed the Superintending Engineer, PR, Chittoor District as the Inquiry Officer to conduct inquiry against the charged officer. The Executive Engineer, PR, Chittoor has been appointed as the Presenting Officer to present the case on behalf of the disciplinary authority, therein.

5. In the reference 5th read above, the Superintending Engineer, PR, Chittoor District & Inquiry Officer has submitted Inquiry Report along with his findings. In the findings of the Inquiry Report the charged officer Sri P. Bhaskar, the then DEE, PRI Sub-Division, Satyavedu, Chittoor District has submitted that he has issued tacit instructions to Sri B. Eswara Babu, AE., and Sri P. Gopal, AE., to complete the process of taking over and handing over of charge immediately. The MPDO Nagalapuram has relived Sri B. Eswara Babu on 01.09.2015 after 10 days of receipt of transfer orders with a view to complete the pendency and clear all arrears. The Charged Officer Sri P. Bhaskar, DEE., has submitted that on 09.09.2015 when Sri B. Eswara Babu, AE., was in the office of the MPDO Nagalapuram at his previous station the ACB has trapped him. The MPDO was the direct administrative controlling officer and the DEE has no direct role in this process except requesting the MPDO to speed up the process by insisting Sri B. Eswara Babu, AE to complete the task.

6. The Inquiry Officer while taking into consideration the contents of Defence Statement of the Charged Officer and the report of Presenting Officer that the Charged Officer has exercised action as expected of him, but due to administrative delay the process of charge taking and handing over was delayed. The charged officer is Sub-Divisional Officer for inspection and supervising of all technical works of his Sub-Division jurisdiction, and also it is noticed that there is short period relieving and joining of Sri B. Eswara Babu, AE, B.N. Kandriga and his successor i.e., on 01.09.2015 and trapped on 09.09.2015. Basing on the material available and evidence attributable to show that the charged officer was not responded properly in implementing the orders of the superior officers is not accurate. Hence the Inquiry Officer has concluded in his findings that the charge leveled against Sri P. Bhaskar the then DEE, PRI Sub-Division, Satyavedu, Chittoor District is held "**Not Proved**".

7. Government, after careful examination of matter, have decided to accept the findings of the Superintending Engineer, PR, Chittoor & Inquiry Officer and to drop further action against Sri P. Bhaskar, the then DEE., PRI Sub-Division, Satyavedu, Chittoor District now working as DEE., PRI, SD, Piler, Chittoor District, in the matter.

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8. Accordingly, Government hereby drop further action against Sri P. Bhaskar, the then DEE., PRI Sub-Division, Satyavedu, Chittoor District now working as DEE., PRI, SD, Piler, Chittoor District, in the matter.

9. The Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, A.P., Vijayawada, shall take further action in the matter, accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

B. RAJSEKHAR,
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri P. Bhaskar, the then DEE., PRI Sub-Division, Satyavedu, Chittoor District now working as DEE., PRI, SD, Piler, Chittoor District (Through ENC, PR, Vijayawada)
The Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, A.P., Vijayawada.
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The Director General, ACB, Vijayawada.
The PR & RD (Estt-I) Department – for information
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SECTION OFFICER